

Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners

Special Meeting Minutes

~~Friday~~ **Monday, March 20, 2020**
10:00 am

Tippecanoe Room, Tippecanoe County Office Building
20 N 3rd Street, Lafayette, Indiana

Commissioners present President Tracy A. Brown, Vice President Thomas P. Murtaugh and Member David S. Byers.

Also present: Attorney Doug Masson, Auditor Robert Plantenga, Commissioners' Assistant Paula Bennett, and Recording Secretary John Thomas.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – President Brown called the meeting to order and lead the Pledge of Allegiance

II. COVID-19 LEAVE BENEFIT

Attorney Masson stated that the proposed policy provides for additional paid leave to eligible employees who: 1) have tested positive or diagnosed as having the virus, 2) they or their immediate family develop valid symptoms or had sustained contact with someone who has tested positive or diagnosed with the virus, 3) must provide care to their school-age children under the age of thirteen (13) years old when classes and/or day care are cancelled, 4) has returned from a foreign country with a CDC Level 3 Travel Health Notice, 4) are at elevated risk due to pregnancy, age, compromised immune system or chronic health condition; and have been advised by a public health agency or health care professional to self-quarantine. All leave under this policy must be approved by the elected official/department head on the form provided, and the policy will expire when the health emergency is no longer in effect. All employees are encouraged to work from home as arranged by their supervisor.

The Commissioners thanked the County Attorney, the Human Resources Department and other Departments for their cooperation and initiative knowing that there may well be additional actions needed in the future.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the policy, starting today March 20, as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

Commissioner Murtaugh moved to adjourn. President Brown adjourned the meeting.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE



Tracy A. Brown, President



Thomas P. Murtaugh, Vice-President



David S. Byers, Member

ATTEST:


Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor 4/3/2020

Minutes prepared by John Thomas, Recording Secretary